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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Frank G. Wisner, Deputy Director/Plans  
SUBJECT : PSB Meeting held Wednesday, June 10, 1953  
Present: Harold Stassen, Roger Kyes, C. D. Jackson, Allen W. Dulles, George Morgan

(1) There was some discussion of work that should be done in the psychological field to prepare for the possibility of a Korean Truce. There was difference of views as to how the truce would be greeted over the long run. CD seemed to feel that it would be bitterly attacked by the American people after they realized that we had fought a bloody and inconclusive war to an unsatisfactory termination. Harold Stassen and I seemed to feel that the desire to terminate the unsatisfactory distant war would prevail and that while there would not be great jubilation at the results, it was unlikely that there would be any strong popular kickback. It was recognized that there was some work to be done in the field of what should be said by top officials of the government about the truce and how it should be played in our international relations.

(2) Mr. Jackson reported that a Korean named [redacted] had called to see him and said that he wanted to be of any possible help publicity-wise in support of the conclusion of the truce.

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(7) The balance of the meeting (which I had to leave early) was taken up with a report by Harold Stassen on his Middle Eastern trip. He thought that some effort should be made to get out more publicity about the favorable way in which American free enterprise was giving a real opportunity to the local people to hold down positions of real importance in the industries which Americans control, particularly the oil industry. He thought that the way we gave opportunities to the local people was in sharp contrast to the old Colonialism of the British and French.

ALLEN W. DULLES  
Director

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